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SUBJECT: REQUEST OF KCIA OFFICIAL TO REMAIN IN U.S.

REF: STATE 299222

1. AIDE MEMOIRE CONTAINED REFTTEL DELIVERED AS INSTRUCTED
TO ACTING DIRECTOR AMERICAN AFFAIRS BUREAU DECEMBER 9,
YI SANG-HUN.

2. AFTER READING IT, YI AGAIN STRESSED ROKG DESIRE TO
ARRANGE MEETING WITH KIM, COMMENTING THAT ROKG FACE NOW
INVOLVED AND THAT SOME COMPROMISE ESSENTIAL. ASKED WHETHER
U.S. DID NOT PERMIT SUCH MEETINGS IN OTHER CASES, EMBOFF
SAID THAT TO BEST OF HIS KNOWLEDGE ISSUE HAS ALWAYS DEPENDED
ON DESIRES OF INDIVIDUAL, AND SINCE KIM IS NOT IN CUSTODY
HE COULD NOT WELL BE COMPELLED TO MEET SOMEONE HE DOES NOT
WISH TO SEE.

3. YI ALSO REFERRED TO RECENT STATEMENT BY UNNAMED
ROKG OFFICIAL ON THIS SUBJECT. HE SAID IT WAS ISSUED
"WITHOUT OUR KNOWLEDGE" (NOT INDICATING WHETHER THIS
REFERRED TO MOFA OR TO HIS BUREAU), BUT THAT IT WAS
INDICATION OF STRONG FEELINGS IN SOME PARTS OF ROKG.
ASKED IF HE HAD SEEN STATEMENT, EMBOFF SAID HE HAD
NOTED ITS REFUTATION BY DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN DURING
NOON BRIEFING.
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